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25X1 The Soviet Asia Sa-lu-po-ti Field Artillery Unit was originally the Head-
quarters Field Artillery Unit, Soviet 82 Army Corps. The team consists of
25X1 46 Soviets, who arrived in Canton on 30 April 1950, and were later joined
25X1 by an 8-man Soviet SM-55 Artillery Unit. Their mission in South China was
to assist in the construction of ports on the Chungshan and Paoan hsien
coasts, and to aid the 41 and 44 Armies in the invasion of the Wanshan
Islands. The unit left Canton for Hankow on 7 July 1950.*

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